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ROME FOR FODAG, PARIS FOR STACY, ABIDJAN FOR FFPO MOORE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID, CD, US

SUBJECT: US FOOD AID TO CHAD

REFS: (A) STATE 9115, (B) NDJAMENA 127, (C) NDJAMENA 110,
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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM AF

1. YOU HAVE RECEIVED VIA REF (A) INFORMATION THAT AID/W
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HAS OBTAINED AUTHORIZATION FOR GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT
PROGRAM FOR 13,000 TONS FOODSTUFFS FOR CHAD. THIS AMOUNT
IS IN ADDITION TO OUR CONTRIBUTION 5,400 TONS THROUGH
WFP CHANNELS. BELIEVE THAT THIS RESPONDS TO YOUR CONCERNS
STATED REFS (B) AND (C) THAT GOC MIGHT FEEL SHORTCHANGED
IF WE COUNTED OUR WFP CONTRIBUTION AS PART OF 13,000-TON
PLEDGE. NEVERTHELESS, IT IS THE FIELD MISSION'S RESPONSI-

BILITY TO ENSURE THAT OUR CONTRIBUTIONS THROUGH WFP BE PUBLICIZED AS USG ASSISTANCE.

2. TIMING OF SHIPMENTS IS AS FOLLOWS: FIRST 2000-TON TRANCHE OF 5,400 TON WFP CONTRIBUTION ALREADY ENROUTE TO DOUALA AND SHOULD ARRIVE BY END OF MONTH. BALANCE OF WFP CONTRIBUTION TO BE LOADED SHORTLY AND WILL ARRIVE DOUALA BY END OF FEBRUARY. FIRST 2,250 TONS OF OUR 13,000-TON PROGRAM HAVE BEEN PURCHASED AND WILL BE MOVED SHORTLY TO US PORTS ETA DOUALA EARLY MARCH. AID EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF DIVERSIONS OF SFSG TO CHAD FROM OTHER COUNTRY PROGRAMS, AND WILL MONITOR MOVEMENT THROUGH DOUALA OF USG CONTRIBUTION TO WFP IN ORDER DETERMINE IF DELIVERIES CAN BE ACCELERATED.

3. AID/W ASSURES US THAT SUFFICIENT TDY ASSISTANCE WILL BE PROVIDED TO CDO/NDJAMENA FOR MONITORING, EXECUTION, AND RECORD-KEEPING OF OUR TITLE II PROGRAM.

4. WITH OUR 13,000 TON GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT PROGRAM, PLUS CONTRIBUTIONS THROUGH WFP, AND THE FRENCH DONATION OF 8-10,000 MT, WE MAY TAX CAPACITY OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK FROM DOUALA TO CHAD. OSRO WILL MONITOR/COORDINATE SHIPPING SCHEDULE TO DOUALA.

5. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION REGARDING ANY SPECIAL EFFORTS GOC IS MAKING TO PROVIDE AND DISTRIBUTE GRAIN TO DEFICIT AREAS. FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE NO CONFIRMATION OF GOC ARRANGEMENT FOR 10,000 MT GRAIN FROM SUDAN
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(PER REF C). CAN YOU ASCERTAIN DETAILS OF LOCATION OF THIS GRAIN AND PLANS FOR MOVEMENT TO CHAD, AND PLANS FOR INTERNAL TRANSPORT WITHIN CHAD? SO FAR, AID/W ONLY AWARE OF OSRO PLAN PURCHASE 2,000 TONS SUDANESE GRAIN; AID HAS ALLOCATED FUNDS TO ASSIST IN PURCHASE AND DISTRIBUTION OF THESE 2,000 TONS.

6. REGARDING YOUR REQUEST FOR AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE, CONTRARY TO THE ASSUMPTION IN LAST PARA REF (B), WE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED RELEVANT POLITICAL FACTORS IN FRAMING POSITION ON GOC REQUEST FOR AIRLIFT. WE DO NOT FEEL US INTERESTS IN CHAD WARRANT OVERRIDING NORMAL CRITERIA FOR AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE -- VIZ., INFEASIBILITY OF ALL ALTERNATE MEANS OF TRANSPORT AND DANGER OF EXTREME HUMAN SUFFERING. AID/W AND DEPARTMENT AGREE THAT AT THIS TIME WE SHOULD NOT COMMIT USG TO AIRLIFT. IF, HOWEVER, YOU ARE CONVINCED THAT STARVATION WILL RESULT IF AIRLIFT NOT COMMITTED NOW, PLEASE FORWARD ASAP TO US SUMMARY OF SUPPORTING EVIDENCE. AID/W NOTES THAT THEY HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED SPECIFIC

RESPONSE TO QUERIES ON CAPABILITY OF NORMAL TRANSPORT
SYSTEM POSED PARAS 1-2 REF (G). WOULD APPRECIATE THESE
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